A RESOLUTION

BY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT/ HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PROCEED WITH THE NECESSARY STEPS TO COMMENCE THE 2006 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM PENDING RECEIPT OF THE GRANT AWARD FROM THE STATE OF GEORGIA'S BRIGHT FROM THE START: DEPARTMENT OF EARLY CARE AND LEARNING PROGRAM; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture's Summer Food Service Program was designed to provide children in low-income neighborhoods with nutritious meals during the summer vacation, when they no longer receive school breakfast or lunch; and

WHEREAS, the Summer Food Service Program provides free meals to children participating in summer programs that are sponsored by qualifying non-profit organizations; and

WHEREAS, sponsors of the Summer Food Service Program receive training on the operation of the program prior to the program's commencement, and the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning administers such training; and

WHEREAS, the Director of the Summer Food Service Program has successfully completed the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning's renewal sponsor training for the 2006 Summer Food Service Program; and

WHEREAS, the 2006 Summer Food Service Program is expected to provide approximately 205,000 breakfasts and 210,000 lunches to over 40,000 children in metropolitan Atlanta from June 5, 2006 to August 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS, on March 1, 2006, the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning acknowledged the need to begin preliminary steps such as hiring and training 60 employees, approving over 100 sites, securing food and transportation, and proceeding with the application and other steps necessary for the commencement of the program to ensure an uninterrupted program; and such preliminary costs will be charged to existing accounts; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning is committed to an expeditious review and approval of the Summer Food Service Program application; and

WHEREAS, for administrative purposes, it is expedient to incur costs prior to the receipt of the grant award on the premise that, if the City has been notified that the grant will not be awarded, all activities associated with this grant program will immediately cease and any costs incurred prior to defunding will be charged to fund account and center numbers: 1A01 (General Fund) 729002 (Service Grant) T41001 (Service Grant); and

WHEREAS, program expenses in excess of the grant amount will be charged to said fund account and center numbers; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Staff of the Office of the Mayor recommends that this approval be granted.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES, that the Mayor's Office of Human Services is hereby authorized to proceed with preliminary steps such as hiring and training 60 employees, approving over 100 sites, securing food and transportation, and proceeding with the application and other steps necessary for the commencement of the Summer Food Service Program, to ensure an uninterrupted program for the period June 5, 2006 through August 4, 2006.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if the City is notified that the grant will not be awarded, all activities associated with the Summer Food Service Program will immediately cease, and any costs incurred prior to defunding will be charged to fund account and center numbers: 1A01 (General Fund) 729002 (Service Grant) T41001 (Service Grant).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that program expenses in excess of the grant amount will be charged to fund, account and center numbers: 1A01 (General Fund) 729002 (Service Grant) T41001 (Service Grant).